## MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE

## CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S MEMO

On July 25, 2003, Representative Maxine Waters (D – 35<sup>th</sup> District, CA) introduced H.R. 2985. This bill would prohibit construction of a new Ground Transportation Center (GTC), a remote passenger check-in facility at the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), unless it has been determined by the Department of Homeland Security that such a facility would improve the safety and security of the public.

LAX has a proposed an expansion plan that is currently being considered which would develop a new GTC at Manchester Square, a site located on the northeast side of the airport, beneath the north runways. The expansion plan would require all passengers to check-in at this one location, instead of the current airport site where passengers check-in at seven different terminal sites.

Representative Water's bill would require a review of the proposed facility by the

Department of Homeland Security prior to its construction. If the Secretary of Homeland

Security determines that the facility will not protect the safety and security of air passengers

and the general public more effectively than the existing facilities at LAX, the Federal Aviation

Administration (FAA) would not be allowed to approve its construction. The entire premise of

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the new airport re-modernization plan is based on security and safety, both at the airport and surrounding community.

I, THEREFORE MOVE, that the Board of Supervisors support H.R. 2985 and direct the Chief Administrative Office to send a five signature board letter to the State's Congressional Delegation and Secretary of Homeland Security urging early approval and enactment of this legislation.

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September 2, 2003

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MOTION ON H.R. 2985 (WATERS, D-CA) RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GROUND TRANSPORTATION CENTER AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ITEM NO. 58-E, SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2003)

Item No. 58-E on the September 2, 2003 Supplemental Agenda is a motion by Supervisor Knabe that the Board support H.R. 2985 (Waters, D-CA), and direct the Chief Administrative Office to send a five-signature letter to the State's Congressional Delegation and the Secretary of Homeland Security urging early approval and enactment of the bill.

On July 25, 2003, Representative Waters introduced H.R. 2985, which would require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to prohibit the construction of the proposed Ground Transportation Center (GTC), a remote passenger check-in facility at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), until the Secretary of Homeland Security determines that the GTC, as designed, will protect the safety and security of air passengers and the general public, and will offer greater protection than existing LAX facilities.

There are no Board policies relating to the bill's provisions, therefore, a position on the bill is a matter for Board policy determination. No hearing has been scheduled for the bill, which was referred to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

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